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FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, DR

SUBJECT: ACCUSATION THAT CIA TAPPING TELEPHONES

REF: SD 2429

1. AFTER LOCAL PRESS CARRIED EMBASSY DENIAL THAT U.S. TAPPING  
TELEPHONES IN DOMREP, POLITICAL COUNSELOR WILLIAMS ON MY INSTRUC-  
TIONS WENT TO SEE PRD OFFICIAL MAJLUTA THIS MORNING TO TELL HIM  
THAT I DID NOT REGARD MAJLUTA'S PUBLIC ACCUSATION OF U.S. INVASION  
OF DOMINICAN PRIVACY A FRIENDLY ACT.

2. AT HIS REQUEST, I RECEIVED MAJLUTA THIS AFTERNOON. HE EXPLAINED  
THAT HE HAD BECOME FURIOUS UPON LEARNING THAT HIS TELEPHONE HAD  
BEEN TAPPED AND HAD SPOKEN WITHOUT THINKING. I OBSERVED THAT HE  
WAS OF COURSE FREE TO SAY ANYTHING HE WISHED TO THE PRESS JUST AS  
I WAS FREE TO TAKE OFFENSE OVER IRRESPONSIBLE ACCUSATIONS--WILD  
CHARGES WERE NOT WITHOUT CONSEQUENCE. PROTESTING THAT HE WAS A  
FRIEND OF THE U.S., HE OFFERED TO RETRACT HIS ACCUSATION PUBLICLY  
BY SAYING THAT HE ACCEPTED MY ASSURANCES THAT NO U.S. AGENCY WAS  
ENGAGED IN TELEPHONE TAPPING. I REPLIED THAT I THOUGHT IT  
PREFERABLE TO AVOID ADDING TO THE PUBLICITY. HE THEN OFFERED TO  
URGE THAT THE PRD LEADERSHIP REFRAIN FROM ATTACKING THE U.S.  
I REPLIED THAT IF HE AND HIS PRD COLLEAGUES WERE, AS THEY PROFESSED,  
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FRIENDS OF THE U.S. WE WOULD REGARD IT AS EVIDENCE OF SUCH

FRIENDSHIP WERE THEY TO CHECK WITH US FIRST ON MATTERS OF FACT  
BEFORE RUSHING INTO PRINT. HE AGREED.

3. COMMENT: I SEE NO NEED TO MAKE ANY "DEALS" WITH MAJLUTA.  
HE HAS NONETHELESS RECEIVED THE MESSAGE CLEARLY THAT WE ARE NOT  
GOING TO BE SUPINE AND CONVENIENT WHIPPING BOYS FOR PRD FREE-  
WHEELING POLITICS. HOW LONG THE LESSON WILL REMAIN LEARNED  
IS ANOTHER QUESTION, HOWEVER.  
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